



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 3796**
Shigeru NAKATSU et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2006_1367A
Serial No. 10/590,666 : Group Art Unit 4181
Filed August 25, 2006 : Examiner Pritesh D. Darji
METHOD FOR RECOVERING NOBLE : **Mail Stop: AMENDMENT**
METALS FROM METALLIC CARRIER
CATALYTIC DEVICE

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of November 24, 2008, the time for responding thereto being extended for one-month in accordance with a Petition for Extension of Time submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows: